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#### Durgin In Japan

Under date of July 28 the New York Times prints an announcement that Russell L. Durgin, who is secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in Japan has been appointed a member of the civil information and education section for that country. Mr. Durgin, whose experiences in the Far East covers nearly twenty-five years, was named by an officer of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's staff to aid in the reimplementation of youth organizations and student activities. Mr. Durgin returned to Japan last October and met the Emperor soon after arrival and upon his recent return to this country was attached for a brief time to the State Department at Washington on the staff of George Acheson, Jr., who is a political advisor to General MacArthur. Mr. Durgin's wife is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle, of Glenwood Ave., and maintains a home in New Haven.

Mrs. M. H. Brown, of South Vernon, who has been ill and under the care of Dr. Dean, is staying at Bronson Inn.

#### Postmaster Retires

Charles D. Streeter, who has served the Government over fifty years in the Post Office Department, of which 37 years was as postmaster, was retired as postmaster of the Mount Hermon office on Wednesday, July 31. He has no definite plans for the future and is succeeded by Richard F. Clapp, a former English teacher at Mount Hermon School. Mr. Clapp was born in Gill and is unmarried. He graduated from Turners Falls High in '23 and from Dartmouth with an A.B. degree in '27. Recently' he served with the Tariff Commission in Washington as a commodity expert. Mr. Clapp will be acting postmaster pending civil service examination and appointment confirmed. The Mount Hermon Post Office rates as third class.

Lieut. Gov. Robert Bradford visited Northfield last week and met a group of interested Republican citizens and officials of the town committee at the town hall. His call was brief but advanced his effort in the campaign for Governor in the state election this fall.

Mrs. Harold Priestly and son, Harold, Jr., of Detroit, Mich., is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. L. Watson, at her home on Winchester Road. Misses Dorothy and Elsie Watson are also here at the home for the sum-

#### Gibbs-Gethman

The marriage of Miss Cora Lee King Gethman; daughter of Mrs. Walter Wesley Gethman, of East Northfield, and the late Mr. Gethman, to Julian Howard Gibbs, son of Mrs. Stephen Webber, of Albany, N. Y., and the late Mr. Howard Brown Gibbs, took place Saturday afternoon, July 27, in Russell Sage Chapel on the campus of the Northfield School for Girls. Rev. Benjamin Andrews officiated at the ceremony and Carlton L'Hommedieu presided at the organ. The service was brief but dignified. >

The bride was given in marriage by her cousin, Mr. Francis D. Seward, of St. Louis, Mo. Her sister, Mrs. Gordon Galloway, was matron of honor and Miss Frances Barber, of Old Greenwich, Conn., and Miss Nancy Gibbs, sister of the bridegroom, were the bridesmaids. Mr. Stephen Webber was best man for his stepson and the ushers were Mr. Frank Cox of Amherst College, Mr. Walter Hanson of Lafayette College and Mr. Frederick Staley, of Albany, N. Y. A reception was given at the Northfield after the ceremony.

Mrs. Gibbs attended the International School at Geneva, Switzerland, and was graduated from the Northfield School for Girls and Smith College. She is the daughter of the late Wesley Gethman, general secretary of the world's committee of the Y. M C. A., and granddaughter of the late Hamilton King, United States Minister Plenipoteniary to Bangkok, Siam, 1898' to 1912.

Mr. Gibbs has recently resumed hi studies at Amherst College after serving two years with the Navy. He was graduated from the Albany Academy and is the son of the late Howard Gibbs, founder of the Eaglebrook School at Deerfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs will make their home for the present at Amherst

Mrs. Lulu A. Davis, of Northfield, and Rupert A. King, of Sandisfield, were married at the Unitarian parsonage Saturday, August 3, by the Rev. Hazel Rogers Gredler.

Friends have received cards from Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cobb stating that they are enjoying their western trip through New Mexico and Arizona and are now in Rainier National Park in Washington.

#### Announce Engagement Librarian Resigned

Announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Janet Margaret Kehl to Richard Dorr Lundy, son of Mrs. Victor O. Lundy, of Springfield, is made by her mother, Mrs. Charles Kehl, of 1 Parker Ave., Northfield. The wedding will take place on September 5 in Russell Sage Chapel.

Miss Kehl is a graduate of the Northfield School for Girls in the class of 1943, and is a senior at Massachusetts State College, where she is a member of Pi Beta Phi So-

Mr. Dundy, a graduate of Classical High School, served three years in the army and since his discharge in February has resumed his studies at Massachusetts State College where he also is a senior. He is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha.

#### Coolidge Visits Here

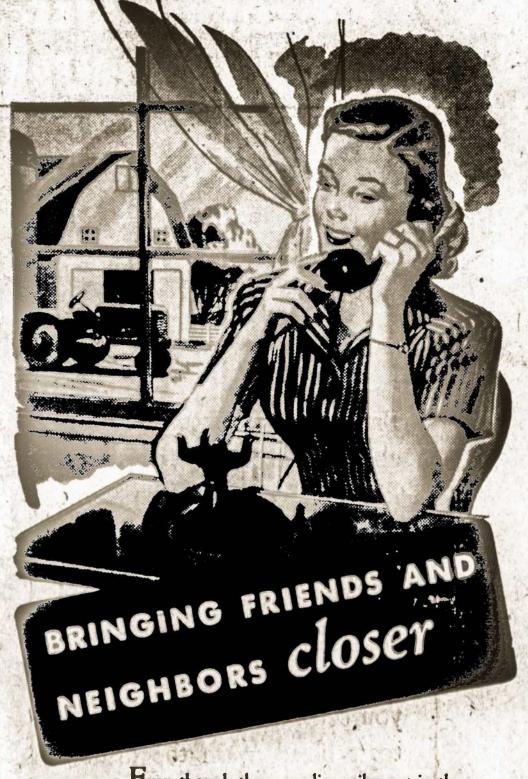
Hon. Arthur W. Coolidge, president of the Massachusetts Senate and Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor, visited Northfield on Friday, August 2, and met not only Republican leaders but a great many other local citizens.

The trip was part of a tour which Senate President Coolidge is making of Franklin County. The local arrangements were made by the chairman of the Republican town committee. Mr. Coolidge is well known in this section of Massachusetts as he is a cousin of the late President Calvin Coolidge of Northampton.

Miss Lucy M. Eleveth has tendered her resignation to the trustees of Dickinson Memorial Library as libraian in order to accept the position of librarian at the Edgewood Park School at Briarcliff Manor, N. Y. Miss Eveleth came to Dickinson Memorial Library late in 1944 and has given faithful and efficient service. Her departure is sincerely regretted. Mrs. Florence Phelps has been appointed librarian to succeed Miss Eveleth and the change in administration will be effective on Saturday, August 24.

#### The Bolton Reunion

The annual reunion of the Bolton family was held at the old homestead home of George Bolton in the Barber district on Sunday, July 28, with an attendance of 63. The business meeting was presided over by Mrs. Hattie Hall, the president; reports rendered and greetings read from those unable to be present. A cafeteria luncheon was served on the lawn and a social time enjoyed. The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Arthur Bolton, president; Edward Bolton, vice-president; Miss Barbara Bolton, secretary-treasurer. It was voted to hold the reunion next year on the first Sunday in August. Mrs. Lena Bolton, 82, was the oldest member present and Laureen Vietz, 18 months, of Greenfield, was the youngest.



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The Reverend Doctor and Mrs. Charles William Roeder, of Brobklyn, Northfield Hotel for the month

Mr. and Mrs. James Goodwin are now in their home on Glen Ave. which they bought from Mr. and Mrs. William H. Dale, Mr. Dale purchased the Britton house on Main Street and has taken possession and Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Britton will reside in Greenfield in a home purchased

The community club of the Farms fourth school district will hold an important meeting Friday evening, August 9. President Lawrence Hamond urges all who are members to attend. There will be an election of officers.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Tammond have returned from a vacation visit with friends and relatives "down on the cape."

Mrs. Josephine S. Haskell, our genial town clerk, is enjoying a vacation and meanwhile her office will be closed until the 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hammond are enjoying a week's vacation and are on a motor tour through the White Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Scott are on a motor tour to enjoy the scenery of the White Mountain district. The children are visiting friends.

The Northfield Hotel music trio played at a dinner meeting of the Rotary Club at the Weldon Hotel in Greenfield Wednesday evening. Rotary has several members in Northfield.

"Kiss and Tell" is now being played at the Keene Summer Theatre through August 11. Royal Beal and Barbara Bruce are featured.

Mr. and Mrs. John Laestadius and young son of Jamaica, N. Y., are spending the month of August at her nother's home in Mountain Park, Mrs. Maude N. Voris. Mrs. Voris, meanwhile is visiting her cousin, Miss Gertrude Close, of Amherst. Recently Mrs. Voris entertained her friend, Mrs. Jesse Carr, of Pasadena, Cal., for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Watson and young daughter of Amityville, N. Y., are visiting at his parents, Doctor and Mrs. Robert A. Watson, at their summer home in Mountain Park.

Mrs. Lawrence White and young son of Boston are visiting her mother, Mrs. A. H. Wright, of Main Street. Mr. White is playing with the Boston Symphony Orchestra during their engagement at "Tanglewood."

Rev. Dr. Robert A. Watson, pastor of the First Reformed Church, of Jamaica, N. Y., who is a summer resident in Mountain Park, will preach at the morning service Sunday, August 11, at the Congregational Church.

There will be a cafeteria supper served in the vestry of the Congregational Church Saturday evening, August 17.

The annual meeting of the women of the town concerned with the responsibility of Alexander Hall was held recently and elected Mrs. Tubert Eastman and Mrs. Fred Bolton to the board to fill the expiring terms of Mrs. H. B. Wells and Mrs. Joseph Morgan. The board organized with Mrs. Richard Hiller as chairman and Mrs. Glenn Billings as secretarytreasurer.

"Philadelphia Story," with Diana Barrymore, will be the attraction of the Brattleboro Summer Theatre August 13 through August 17. From the 19th through the 24th, Fred Stone in "You Can't Take It With You."

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The Rev. Dr. Arthur L. Berger, pastor of Elmwood Presbyterian are staying at the Chateau of the Church of Syracuse and president of the local Rustic Ridge Association will conduct the services at the South Vernon Church Sunday morning, August 11.

L. P. Goodspeed, of this town, accompanied by his sister, Miss Edith Goodspeed, of Orange, and his brothers, Charles G. Goodspeed and Albert Goodspeed, of Elyria, Ohio, enjoyed a fishing expedition to the waters of McGregor Bay in Ontario, Canada, last week.

Mr .and Mrs. Joseph E. Hinds, of New York city, have purchased from Miss Edith C. Welch, executor of the property formerly owned by her sister and occupied by them on Glen Road on Rustic Ridge. Miss Welch has returned to her apartment in New York and Mr. Hinds, who is a well known artist, will conduct her work here during the summer.

The Misses Jennie and Ruth Johnson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are spending the summer months at their cottage on North Lane. Miss Jennie has been for many years the office secretary of the Pocket Testament League.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin K. Stonebuck. of Quakertown, Pa., were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Porter this week while they were enroute to Ottawa, Canada, where he is employed on Government work. Mrs. Stonebuck and Mrs. Porter are sisters.

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A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence D. Quinlan at the Brattleboro Memorial Hospital on Saturday, August 3. Grandson of Lawrence S. Quinlan of this town and of Mrs. Emil Niskila, of Springfield, Vt.

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